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1. In early October, [redacted] a new railroad line was to be built to Glowe on Ruegen Island from a point between the Lietzow and Sagard railroad stations on the Stralsund-Sassnitz railroad line. The new line, which will require extensive earthworks, will parallel the eastern shore of Jasmunder Bodden.¹

In early October, that the Blankenburg-Birkenwerder line section of the Nordring Berlin project would not be completed on 4 October according to schedule, because of subsoil water difficulties near Schoenfluss and Pergfelde and a shortage of rails, switches and ballast.²

3. The staking off of the railroad line section envisaged in the second stage of the Nordring Berlin project was started on 1 October.³

4. The connecting curve east of Gesundbrunnen railroad station was completed by early October. However, traffic on the line is not to be started before the completion of all safety installations.⁴

5. Work on the double-tracking of the Grossbeeren-Justerbog line was temporarily interrupted and in early October continued at a slow rate. Source did not believe that the line will be completed in 1952.⁵ 25X1

6. In early October, [redacted] that the SCC issued orders to have the connecting curves near Brandenburg and Belzig completed by the end of 1952.⁶

7. The construction of a new double-tracked line between Michendorf and Wildpark was included in the 1953 railroad construction program.

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8. In early October, [redacted] that the construction of the second track on the Grossbeeren-Muchendorf railroad line was completed on 4 October. On 6 October, eight rail breaks occurred on the newly construction line.

9. In late September, source observed that the Falkenberg-Finsterwalde line sector of the Jula-Gottbus railroad line was double-tracked. After 20 September, the missing switches were to be installed between Falkenberg and Finsterwalde so that both tracks could be operated after 10 October.

10. Source learned at a railroad conference held in mid-September 1952, that the Vietzow-Blowe railroad line was to be completed by 31 December 1952.

11. In late September, [redacted] the Directorate General, Railroads, Berlin, that a spur track to Golferuh was to be built from the Branser-Kooni-stadt railroad line at an estimated cost of 4.2 million eastmarks. A P camp is said to be located at Golferuh.¹⁰

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12. In early October, source learned that a spur track was to be built from a point near Devwinkel railroad station on the Juestrow-Lalendorf railroad line.¹¹

13. Source [redacted] by the Minister of Traffic and Director General, Railroads, Berlin, that a railroad line between Vacha and Unterbraszbach is to be built by 1 December 1952 in connection with measures to be taken on the zonal boundary.¹²

14. In early October, [redacted] headquarters that [redacted] second track on the Mersleben-Sandersleben railroad line was put into operation on 3 October.¹³

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15. In early October, [redacted] headquarters that [redacted] plant in Torgelow is to have a length of 2 km. The cost for the construction project was estimated at 1.6 million eastmarks.¹⁴

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1. [redacted] Comment. Information on the construction of this railroad line on Meuron Island was transmitted previously. [redacted]

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2. [redacted] Comment. The Blankenburg-Birkenwerder sector of the Gerdring Berlin project was to be completed for single-track operations by 1 October 1952. However, prior to 24 October, no information had been received that this railroad line sector was officially opened. It is therefore believed that the project was not completed according to schedule.

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3. [redacted] Comment. This information refers to the Birkenwerder-Justiermark sector which was originally to be built in 1953. It now appears that work on the project will be started in this year. [redacted]

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4. [redacted] Comment. The information refers to a connecting curve near the Schoenhauser Allee railroad station on the Berlin elevated railroad system. The completion of this connecting curve was reported previously. [redacted]

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5. [redacted] Comment. The line between Grossbeeren and Justierbog is part of the Berlin-Justierbog railroad line. This line was to be double-tracked under the 1952 construction program. [redacted]

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